

CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: 5

Other known title(s): Not stated

OFLC ref: 2000108.043

Medium: Video File

Maker: Not stated

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: Not applicable

Applicant: The District Court at Auckland

Classification:	Objectionable.
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Excisions: No excisions recommended

Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 23 April 2020

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: No notice of decision has been issued

	Components	Running time
Timed component(s):	5	0:51
Total running time:		0:51

Summary of reasons for decision:

The video depicts a girl displaying her buttocks and performing to the camera in a sexually inviting manner. It is classified objectionable because it promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes. The video presents children as sexually aware and as appropriate subjects for adult sexual attention and is clearly intended to be sexually arousing to people with a prurient interest in young girls. The video encourages and legitimises such an interest. As a video file it can be shared widely among like-minded individuals, which would result in ongoing exploitation of the girl. The video may also be used for grooming other children for sexual exploitation. The Classification Office has considered the effects of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 on the application of the classification criteria. The classification of this publication interferes with the right to freedom of

expression, but this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications that promote and support the exploitation of children for sexual purposes be deemed objectionable. The classification also reflects the concern of New Zealand society to protect its young and vulnerable members from exploitation and harm.